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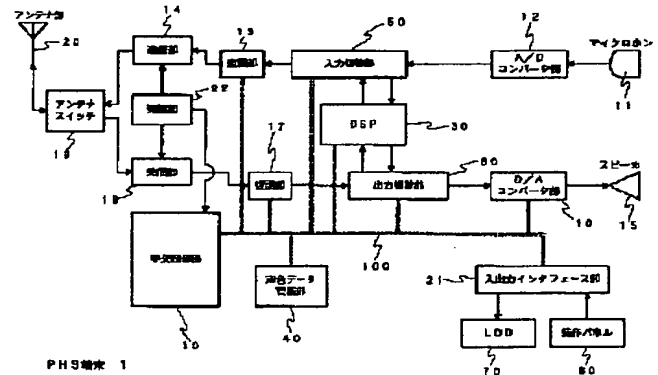
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TITLE : TELEPHONE DEVICE WITH VOCAL MIMICRY



ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To make it possible to communicate even with a habitual speaker with a fresh mind and to provide a pleasant communication among people by adding a vocal mimicry function to a telephone device.

SOLUTION: A transmission means sends out a transmitter's speech signal to an appropriate transmission path. Voice color data of a plurality of utterers are stored in a voice color data storage part 40. An appropriate utterer is selected and designated from a group of utterers of whom voice color data are stored in the storage part. The voice data of the selected utterer are read from the voice data storage part 40. And, a voice transformation means processes the read voice color data and transmitter's speech signal as necessary, thereby transforming the transmitter's voice color into the selected utterer's voice color, and supplying the transformed voice signal to the transmission means. Namely, it becomes possible to pleasantly communicate between the transmitter and receiver by transforming ~~and~~ ^{THE} transmitted or received speech into that of another person and outputting it.

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